

# ***NEWS***

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### **Two-Mile Section of Duncan Road in Piñon Hills to Be Paved**

SAN BERNARDINO – The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors on April 13 approved plans for the paving of a two-mile section of Duncan Road in the Piñon Hills area from Oasis Road to Buckwheat Road.

“This project will provide better access for emergency services as well as improved safety and convenience for the residents of Piñon Hills,” said First District Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt. “I would like to thank the County staff and Piñon Hills residents who have worked in partnership to improve the transportation system in the area.”

The improvement of this and other roads are listed as priority projects for the High Desert Transportation Facilities Plan and reflects a cooperative effort among the County Fire Department, Sheriff’s Department, Department of Public Works and the Phelan and Piñon Hills Municipal Advisory Council to construct a backbone of roads that will improve access and safety.

To minimize the environmental impacts, Joshua trees will be relocated and a monitor will be on hand to ensure proper procedures are followed in case the threatened desert tortoise or Mojave ground squirrel are present.

Approval of this item will also allow the department to advertise for competitive bids with the bid opening date tentatively scheduled in May 2010 and the award of contract in June 2010. Upon determination of the lowest responsible and responsive bid, a recommendation to award a contract will be forwarded to Supervisors for approval.

The total construction cost is estimated at approximately \$1.7 million. The project consists of grading, paving, and installation of traffic signs and striping.